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## **PRESS RELEASE**

## STATEMENT ON THE SUSPENSION OF JOINT POW/MIA ACCOUNTING COMMAND (JPAC) MISSION TO NORTH KOREA

CAMP H.M. SMITH, Hawaii – The Department of Defense (DoD) today announced that the U.S. government is temporarily suspending U.S. remains recovery operations in North Korea.

The United States is prepared to continue Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command humanitarian missions to locate, recover and repatriate the remains of Americans still missing in North Korea after they have created an appropriate environment. The U.S. government remains committed to achieving the fullest possible accounting for Americans still missing from the Korean War as well as all past conflicts.

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